वायुदूत गैर-परिचालित व्यय को कम करने तथा गैरपरिचालित राजस्व में वृद्धि करने के लिए आवश्यक कार्रवाई कर रही है । भारी हानि को कम करने के लिए वायुदूत परिचालनों का केन्द्र बिन्दु वाणिज्यिक आधारों पर रहेगा ।

Demand and supply position of petrolum products

322. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN;
SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) The monthwise demand and supply position of diesel and other petroleum products in the country during 1990;

(b) whether there has been a shortage since the gulf-crisis began; if so what is month wise position thereof;

(e) what steps have been taken to meet the shortage and what result achieved; and

(d) what furthed measures are being envisaged and adopted in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) The monthwise supply and demand position of petrol and diesel in the country during January—November, 1990 is indicated in the attached statement *(See below)*

(b) Gulf crisis which began in August, 1990 has agravated the already difficult situation which the country was facing in the current year with regard to availabi lity of petroleum products. International prices of crude oil and petroleum products increased steeply after the Gulf-crisis, mak ing it difficult to import larged quantities to meet the domestic demand.

(c) Imports of crude oil and petroleum products from Iraq-Kuwait were disrupted since August, 1990 due to the Gulf crisis. The Government made arrangemnts to supplement crude/product supplies from other sources. Government a'so decided to impose restriction's on supply of petrol and diesel to retail outlets throughout the country from October 8, 1990. The various steps taken by the Government to restrict consumption of petroleum products have had some impact in curbing the growth in consumption. The growth in consumption of petroleum products has been 2. 6 per cent during April-November 1990 compared to 7. 6 per cent during April-November, 1989.

(d) Further measures will be taken either to relax the restrictions or impose tighter restrictions depending on supply demand position of petroleum products.

Statement

Oetailsofsnpply anddemandfoi-petml(MS)anddiesel(RSD)duringJanuan -November1990

(Figs, in Thousand Metric Tonnes)

	MS		HSD	
		Supply (Production & Imports)	Demand (Actual Sales)	Srpply (Production-Imports)
1	2	3	4	5
January 1990	. 305 .	259		
Febru;	295 . 323	2S '		
Marol.		332		

1		2	3	4	5
April	292		269	1833	1651
May	336		332	1918	1829
June		317	334	1824	1890
July	292		332	1648	1700
August	308		296	1698	1645
September	280		266	1492	1518
October	278		300	1628	1664
November	279		317	1752	1657